

SAMPLE BALLOT
STATE OF MAINE
MUNICIPAL ELECTION BALLOT
TOWN OF APPLETON, JUNE 13, 2023

Instructions to Voters

- ◆ To vote for the candidate of your choice or article, fill in the oval to the left, like this: ●
- ◆ To vote for a write-in candidate, fill in the oval to the left of the write-in space and write in the person's name.
- ◆ To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
- ◆ If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

Select Board Member
For Three Years
Vote For Two

☐ Costigan, Lorie

☐ Garrigan, Charles

☐ Kivette, Paulette

☐Write-in

☐Write-in

Select Board Member
For Two Years
Vote For One

☐ Marriner, C. Prent

☐Write-in

Planning Board Member
For Three Years
Vote For Two

☐ Carroll, Edward

☐Write-in

☐Write-in

Planning Board Associate
Member
For Three Years
Vote For Two

☐Write-in

☐Write-in

Road Commissioner
For Three Years
Vote For One

☐ Boyington, Jacob

Do you find and approve the Appleton Middle School (AMS) budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest AVS budget meeting and that includes locally raised funds that exceed the local contribution as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act?

ARTICLE THREE REPLACED WITH SEPARATE BALLOT

ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town accept the categories of funds listed below, as provided by Maine State Legislature, to be received in FY24? (Dollar amounts listed are estimated amounts to be received.)

Maine State Revenue Sharing	\$ 380,000
Local Road Assistance	\$ 44,000
Snowmobile Registration	\$ 290
Tree Growth	\$ 10,300
Renewable Energy	\$ 570
Veterans Exemption	\$ 2,100
Homestead Reimbursement	\$ 170,000
Excise Tax	\$ 290,000
Special Rev: FEMA Funds for Roads	\$ 50,000
Special Rev: ARPA Funds for Ambulance	\$ 27,500
Other revenue* (agent fees, building permits, etc.)	\$ 42,100
Total	\$ 1,016,860

*Other Revenues include building permits, clerk fees, and other fees. Other Fees does not include Insurance & Bonds, Workers' Compensation Refunds, Animal Control Fines, and FEMA reimbursement, which are credited to and expended from the appropriate named accounts. Special Revenue includes anticipated and carryforward Federal funds.

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town appropriate all funds collected in Article 4 (estimated to be \$1,016,860) to the FY24 fiscal year budget?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town carry forward from FY23 into FY24 all unexpended balances in Planning Board, Comprehensive Plan, Fire Department Building and Utilities, Emergency Management Agency, Road Maintenance, Paving, Town Land Conservation, Cemeteries and FEMA?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town appropriate from Undesignated Funds the funds needed to fulfill the Town's obligations for FY24 for General Assistance, Unemployment, and Maintain Old Landfill?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to expend such other sums as may be received from Federal and State grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for town

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town pay the MAINE DOT 2023 & 2024 labor reimbursement and private equipment rates, and bid, contract, or rental prices, for its roads and bridges during FY24?

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town appropriate all State Highway Funds received from the local Roads Assistance Program (LRAP) this fiscal year (estimated to be \$45,000) for the purpose of maintenance paving of Town roads?

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$319,659 for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT** for FY24?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$299,936 for **PROTECTION AND SAFETY** for FY24?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$621,828 for **HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES** for FY24?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$45,300 for **SANITATION** for FY24?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$36,170 for **COMMUNITY** for FY24?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$6,569 for **PROVIDER AGENCIES** for FY24?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE REJECTS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town appropriate \$300,000.00 from Undesignated Funds to reduce the property tax assessment?

**SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS**

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town allow a discount of 2% on all real estate and personal property taxes paid in full prior to or within one month (30 days) after the commitment of the list to the Tax Collector, and authorize the Select Board to take the necessary sum from Undesignated Funds for this purpose? (The budgeted amount will be \$42,000.)


SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town establish that taxes shall be due and payable when billed, and that interest at a rate of 4% per annum be charged on all taxes unpaid after the last day of November 2023?

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ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town increase the property tax levy limit of \$324,750 established for Appleton by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to enter into up to three-year agreements for the following:

Ambulance Services, Audit Services, Assessing Services, Town Property & Cemetery Mowing, and Tax Maps?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to use the proceeds of any payment on insurance claims, for damage occurring to Town property in the fiscal year 2024, to be allocated to the municipal department whose goods or equipment were damaged, and appropriate any such insurance payment to repair or replace the damaged goods or equipment or act thereon?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to sell or otherwise dispose of equipment and Town property with a value less than \$10,000.00 per item after appraisal for FY24 or act thereon?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 28. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to explore an interlocal agreement for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 29. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to use Overlay to be used for tax abatements?

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

ARTICLE 30. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to enter into voluntary easements for the following map and lot numbers (Map 9, Lot 18; Map 16, Lot 39; Map 1, Lot 1; Map 19, Lot 27; Map 26-Lot 15; Map 24, Lot 35) for the sole purpose of installing and maintaining dry hydrants for municipal fire protection?

(Legal fees for easements to be paid with American Recovery Plan Act funds; easements to carry no monetary value.)

SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDS

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

